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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York, prices were unchanged. Elsewhere, regional prices were higher on all weights when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady beginning the week. Demand was light to good, mostly moderate to fairly good. Supplies were sufficient to balanced on larger sizes and adequate to at times tight on lighter weights. Breaking stock offerings remained mixed for the moderate to good demand. Spent hens ranged about adequate to mostly adequate for the fair to moderate demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Midwest delivered prices were shaply higher. Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were higher for large and medium and were unchanged for small. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand was moderate to very good, usually fairly good to good. Food service sales were mostly moderate to at times fairly good. Supplies were adequate to balanced for the larger sizes and adquate to instances tight for the lighter weight eggs. Central States breaking prices were unchanged. Offerings were very tight for the moderate to good demand. Floor stocks were very closely balanced to short of needs. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	81-90	84-87	LARGE	62-71	66
LARGE	80-89	82-85	MEDIUM	37-43	41
MEDIUM	55-64	57-60	SMALL	19-23	

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were higher on all sizes when compared the previous week's prices. Trade sentiment was fully steady to steady entering the week. Retail and distributive demand ranged moderate to good. Supplies were closely balanced to adequate for present needs. Breaking stock offerings were mixed for the moderate to good demand. Light type hens offerings ranged about adequate to mostly adequate for varied processing schedules.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	88-102	90-94
LARGE	83-97	88-92
MEDIUM	60-69	61-63

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices were sharply higher. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand ranged was moderate to very good, usually fairly good to good. Food service movement was moderate to at times fairly good. Supplies adequate to closely balanced for all sizes. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were very tight for the moderate to good demand. Floor stocks were very closely balanced to short of needs. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	91.5-100	93-96
LARGE	89.5-98	91-94
MEDIUM	59.5-68	61-64

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were higher on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. The market tone ranged steady to fully steady beginning the week. Demand was usually moderate to fairly good. Supplies were sufficient to closely balanced for full trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings were mixed for the moderate to good demand. Light type fowl were mostly adequate to about adequate for a fair to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	77.25-95	89-92
LARGE	75.25-93	87-90
MEDIUM	55.25-66	59-63

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged on extra large, large and medium when compared to last Thursday's values. Trade sentiment was fully steady to steady. Retail and distributive demand was moderate to good. Supplies were usually sufficient for current trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	97-101
LARGE	95-99
MEDIUM	68-72

## MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	88-96	89-91
LARGE	86-94	87-89
MEDIUM	61-69	62-64

**WESTERN** Prices 4 cents higher on all sizes. The Pacific region inventory was unchanged from last Monday with California down 2% and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 3%. Retailer demand seasonally good. Offerings adequate.

**CALIFORNIA** Prices 4 cents higher on all sizes. The California inventory was 2% lower than last Monday. Retailer demand seasonally good. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 79.

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	136
EXTRA LARGE	135
LARGE	125
MEDIUM	99

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

	RANGE
JUMBO	279-299
LARGE	249-299
LARGE	199-269
MEDIUM	189-219

## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

	RANGE
JUMBO	
EXTRA LARGE	Not
LARGE	Available
MEDIUM	

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending November 17, 2006 will increase by 1 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending November 10, 2006 were 346,631 cases which was 8 percent above the prior week and 6 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	302,418	44,213	346,631

% change from the

prior week..... +8 +9 +8

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Prices were unchanged. Demand was moderate to good. Offerings remained very tight with the occasional seller offering spot product for sale within the stated price range. Most breakers continued working from regular commitments and company owned production. Floor stocks very closely balanced to short of needs. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	46-48	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	31-38	33-35
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Prices were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand for spent hens was fair at best. Schedules were reduced. Processed sales were moderate. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\*

FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 13-NOV-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-8 CENTS/LB.		4.93

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN** Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand ranged light to about moderate for the adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances less than normal. Sales of finished product was fair. The undertone was mostly steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\*

FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 13-NOV-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7 CENTS/LB.		4.68

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT  
FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**CANADIAN EGGS** QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES-GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 30, 2006

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.91	1.88	1.79	1.18

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 30, 2006 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.46	1.46	1.36	.77

# WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- NOVEMBER 13, 2006

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area		
	Northeast	Cent	Atl	Pacific			
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.9	25.3	11.6	12.4	14.4	72.6
	Change	-1.0	3.5	1.5	0.7	-0.3	6%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	28.3	55.8	13.8	24.3	52.8	175.0
	Change	-1.7	6.7	-9.1	-0.1	3.0	-1%
Large	Curr Wk	54.7	139.4	99.2	110.6	136.2	540.1
	Change	0.1	-1.4	-4.1	-5.8	1.5	-2%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.0	44.6	20.0	17.5	37.5	130.6
	Change	-0.8	1.4	-3.3	-2.2	-1.3	-5%
Small	Curr Wk	6.7	7.4	0.5	3.8	3.5	21.9
	Change	1.8	1.4	-0.1	1.9	-1.0	22%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.5	33.2	8.1	11.8	7.1	63.7
	Change	0.3	-2.5	-0.4	0.3	0.9	-2%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	17.2	43.5	17.4	33.0	22.7	133.8
	Change	-3.8	-4.3	-0.8	-8.6	-3.4	-14%
Total	Curr Wk	130.3	349.2	170.6	213.4	274.2	1137.7
Percent	Change	-4%	1%	-9%	-6%	0%	-3%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1137.7	-3%	165
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	200.0	-11%	34
Total Shell Egg	1337.7	-4%	199

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 165 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — DAILY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOVEMBER 10, 2006  
CURRENT LOADS 18.00 FUTURE LOADS 28.25 TOTAL LOADS 46.25

		SE		NE		MW		LOADS			SC		NW		SW		LOADS
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		
GNR W 1	--	--	68.50	70.50	--	--	--	12.00	GL W J	67.63	--	--	--	--	77.00	--	3.00
GL W J	--	--	--	--	55.25	--	--	1.00	GL W XL	--	74.50	--	--	--	77.50	--	3.00
GL W XL	--	--	80.00	82.00	63.33	--	--	8.00	GL W LG	--	--	--	88.00	--	70.00	--	9.00
GL W LG	--	65.00	--	--	67.00	--	--	13.25	GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
GL W MD	--	--	46.75	49.75	--	--	--	2.00	GL BR MD	46.00	--	--	--	--	54.00	--	1.00
GL W SM	38.00	41.00	32.00	34.50	--	--	--	2.00									
NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.00									
NRBS - 39	--	--	44.00	46.00	--	--	--	1.00									

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOV 06, 2006 -NOV 10, 2006  
CURRENT LOADS 70.25 FUTURE LOADS 96.25 TOTAL LOADS 166.50

SE		NE		MW		LOADS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		
GNR W 1	63.83	72.41	65.80	69.82	71.00	67.44	83.00	GNR W 1	--	73.73	--	--	--	--	17.00
GNR BR 1	--	90.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	GNR BR 1	--	--	74.00	75.00	--	--	1.00
GL W J	--	--	78.50	80.00	63.42	--	4.00	GL W J	68.56	80.00	--	--	73.00	77.43	8.00
GL W XL	--	74.78	76.50	78.12	63.48	80.67	34.50	GL W XL	--	75.40	--	75.00	--	74.69	9.50
GL W LG	--	80.22	--	77.11	63.76	78.50	64.00	GL W LG	77.00	75.33	--	88.00	--	78.43	24.25
GL W MD	--	52.50	44.63	47.38	41.93	49.00	18.00	GL W MD	--	--	--	57.00	--	53.94	6.50
GL W SM	38.00	41.00	30.78	33.22	--	--	5.50	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	.25
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	--	.25	GL BR MD	46.00	--	--	--	--	54.00	1.00
NRBS - 48	--	--	48.50	50.50	46.00	47.67	32.00	NRBS - 48	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00
NRBS - 39	--	--	43.00	45.00	--	39.00	3.00								

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

#### NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

The market is steady on small, higher on the balance. Supplies are adequate to close. Retail demand is good.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	105.86
LARGE	103.86
MEDIUM	76.86
SMALL	58.00

#### CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

BROWN EGGS	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 – 261	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 – 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 – 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 – 142	125 - 128

#### COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	11/06/06	10/30/06	11/07/05
PACIFIC COAST	0	1	141
LOS ANGELES	0	0	135

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*Egg Quality Control**Out Of State Eggs - State Compilation***Report Period:** 11/5/2006 - 11/11/2006

<b>State</b>	<b>Number Cases</b>	<b>Number Cases</b>	<b>Number Cases</b>	<b>Total State</b>
	<b>Shipped To</b>	<b>Shipped To</b>	<b>Shipped To</b>	
	<b>Northern CA</b>	<b>Central CA</b>	<b>Southern CA</b>	
Arizona	0	0	988	988
Arkansas	0	0	1,458	1,458
Colorado	0	0	2,667	2,667
Illinois	370	160	950	1,480
Iowa	5,540	1,620	53,249	60,409
Michigan	0	3,090	4,060	7,150
Minnesota	6,180	1,785	9,235	17,200
Missouri	840	1,020	7,255	9,115
North Carolina	4,558	2,345	825	7,728
Ohio	0	840	4,890	5,730
Oregon	2,570	840	0	3,410
Texas	0	0	4,424	4,424
Utah	3,910	720	7,173	11,803
Washington	0	360	0	360
Wisconsin	0	780	1,650	2,430
<b>Grand Total</b>	23,968	13,560	98,824	136,352
<b>SHIPPED TO MILITARY</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>SHIPPED TO NON-MILITARY</b>	23,968	13,560	98,824	136,352

Source: California Department of Food and Agriculture